## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON DIVISION

IN RE: ETHICON, INC. PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: ETHICON WAVE 1 CASES LISTED IN EXHIBIT A **MDL No. 2327** 

JOSEPH R. GOODWIN U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

## PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PROPOSED TESTIMONY OF JULIE DROLET, M.D.

Pursuant to Federal Rules of Evidence 702 and 703 and *Daubert v. Merrill Dow Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*, 509 U.S. 579 (1993), Plaintiffs move this Court to exclude the testimony of Defendant Ethicon, Inc.'s expert witness Julie Drolet, M.D.<sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs incorporate their Memorandum in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion to Exclude the Testimony of Julie Drolet, M.D., and also the following exhibits:

- 1. List of cases to which this Motion applies, attached as Exhibit A.
- 2. Expert Report of Julie Drolet, M.D., attached as Exhibit B.
- 3. Deposition transcript of Julie Drolet, M.D., March 31, 2016, 10:05 a.m., attached as Exhibit C.
- 4. Deposition transcript of Julie Drolet, M.D., March 31, 2016, 1:28 p.m., attached as Exhibit D.
- 5. Deposition transcript of Julie Drolet, M.D., November 13, 2015, attached as Exhibit E.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> To avoid confusion, it should be noted that Dr. Michael Karram's brother, Dr. Mickey Karram, has also served as an expert witness in various mesh litigations. Despite the similarity in their names and the fact that they both practice in Ohio, these are different experts with different qualifications, opinions and publication histories.

As shown in Plaintiffs' Memorandum in Support of its Motion to Exclude the Proposed Testimony of Julie Drolet, M.D., which Plaintiffs are filing contemporaneously with this Motion, as well as the accompanying exhibits, Dr. Drolet should not be allowed to testify. Her opinions should be excluded because: (1) she does not provide any independent analysis and, instead, merely parrots conclusory opinions from various studies and professional societies; and (2) Dr. Drolet does not disclose any expert opinions that are the subject of proper expert testimony or are the result of a reliable methodology. Accordingly, Dr. Drolet's testimony should be excluded.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests that the Court grant the requested Motion to Exclude the Proposed Testimony of Julie Drolet, M.D.

Respectfully submitted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2016.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I filed the foregoing **MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PROPOSED TESTIMONY OF JULIE DROLET, M.D.,** on April 21, 2016, using the Court's CM/ECF filing system, thereby sending notice of said filing to all counsel.

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